

# BearHug workshop, September 2015

BearHug 2015, Flathead Lake, MT, Eric Anderson, presenting

(1) The materials <http://www.ericdancepiano.com/BearHug15.html>

- handouts
- web page
- some disks
- the book (in progress)

(2) The audience

- contra dancers who want to play
- contra dancers who want to better understand the music
- contra dancers who want to understand the excitement
- .... why the music must always be live!

...introduce the **outline**

(3) Show and tell: examples (links are online)

- BusStop '06 link
- Fenceposts and Le Voyage
- St Anne's Reel

(4) Three basic principles

- Pound on the balances
- Drive to the top (of the phrase)
- Lead with your closer

(5) Antecedents

- Two examples from '70s rock

(6) Finding the balances

- St Anne's
- Elzic's
- Twenty-Eighth

(7) String Beings

... Q&A, **handouts** page